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Claims

1. A method for depositing a credit on an account
associated to a terminal subscribed to a communication
5   network,
the method comprising the steps of:
        interacting (1) between the terminal and a network
entity, wherein said interacting yields an indication of
at least whether a credit is to be deposited on said
10 account associated to said terminal, an amount of credit
to be deposited and a source of the deposit,
        requesting (2) from said network entity to said
source of the deposit, to deposit said amount of credit
on an account associated to said terminal,
15   wherein said requesting is based on the DIAMETER
protocol.

2. A method according to claim 1, wherein said
interacting is based on a value-added multimedia
20 application run on a multimedia application server
provided in said network.

3. A method according to claim 1, wherein
said requesting (2.) comprises
25   generating a DIAMETER request message identifying
the request as a request for depositing an amount to an
account.

4. A method according to claim 3, wherein
30 said generated DIAMETER request message further includes
        an attribute value pair identifying the terminal to
an associated account of which the deposit is to be
deposited,
        an attribute value pair identifying said source of
35 the deposit, and

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an attribute value pair identifying the amount of
said deposit.

5. A method according to claim 4, wherein
the DIAMETER request message is routed from said
network entity to said source based on said attribute
value pair identifying said source of the deposit.

6. A method according to claim 1, further comprising a
step of
acknowledging (3.), by said source, whether said
request was successful or not to said requesting network
entity.

7. A method according to claim 6, further comprising a
step of
depositing said amount to said account associated to said
terminal upon receiving an acknowledgment indicating
success.

8. A method according to claim 7, further comprising a
step of informing (4.) said terminal of the amount being
deposited to an account associated to said terminal.